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The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has decided that all promissory notes, whether over or under twenty dollars, are subject to stamp.

After the degree of publicity given to the matter by the committee, perhaps no additional harm can be done by the publication of the precise

Mr. Searle, another member, was also arrested. They are both charged with felony in connexion with legislative matters, and have been held to bail in the sum of \$1,000 each.

confidence of surdinians has been shaken in the commander, and the confidence of the people has been weakened in the President, for placing or retaining a general in command, when no two could agree upon a substitute or successor. I have no comments here and elsewhere I have at least the merit of not complaining and doubting and predicting. I have heard men complain that George Washington had died, as if untimely, and foolishly sigh for the return of Andrew Jackson to life. What can be done to prevent such a thing? I think that those who have a morbid disposition to exaggerate our misfortunes, and to dwell on our calamities; and who are never as happy as when they can gloat over the sun of our disasters, which they charge over to the personal account of the President, t

**VICKSBURG.**  
Official despatches received from Vicksburg announce that another fleet of twelve transports and a number of barges have successfully passed the rebel batteries at that point and joined those which passed them a week ago. Five hundred shots were fired at them, and almost all of them were hit, but only one transport was sunk. All the barges loaded with coal safely reached their destination.

obtained there has been no fighting of consequence on the Coldwater or near Hernando since the fight of Saturday and Sunday last, in which the whale were driven back.